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## Press Release

## Millis man sentenced on child porn charges

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A 25-year old Millis man has started serving a jail term after admitting he possessed and distributed child pornography, according to Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey.

Brian Vasconcellos, DOB 03-01-1986, pled guilty in Norfolk Superior Court on May 5, 2011 to all of the indictments against him 22 counts of possession of child pornography and a single count of dissemination of child pornography, according to District Attorney Morrissey.

"We requested a 4 to 5 year state prison sentence, followed by a decade of probation supervision after he is released," District Attorney Morrissey said following the plea. "We were aware that the court would consider the defendant's relative lack of criminal record at sentencing, but we believed that a significant state prison term was appropriate given the nature of these offenses."

Norfolk Superior Court Justice Paul Troy sentenced Vasconcellos to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  years in the house of correction on the first child pornography indictment, and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  years on and after that sentence on the second, with concurrent time on the other 21 counts. He ordered seven years probation on the dissemination charge.

Millis Police were contacted in February 2010 by a citizen who believed they had evidence that Vasconcellos was in possession of child pornography. The Millis Police Department developed that information and executed a search warrant, seizing Vasconcellos' laptop computer. A forensic examination of the laptop by trained personnel associated with the Metropolitan Law Enforcement Council, working with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, found a substantial collection of videos depicting sexual assaults against children.

By using the Child Victim Identification Project, law enforcement identified 26 known child victims depicted in the videos, according to court documents.

"The Millis Police Department and their law enforcement partners in this investigation put together a very strong case and deserve credit for their professional work here," District Attorney Morrissey said. "Assistant District Attorney Piccarini handled the case well."

When Vasconcellos finishes his jail term, he will be required to undergo sex offender evaluation and conform to recommended treatment. He will need to register as a sex offender and will be on GPS monitoring. Judge Troy also ordered that he abstain from using alcohol and drugs and submit to random chemical testing to assure his compliance.